

RECEIVED  
OCT 28 2003  
TC 1700  
CE

TC 1700

Confirmation Number: 1661

Group Art Unit: 1753

Examiner: STEVEN H. VERSTEEG

**Commissioner for Patents**  
**P.O. Box 1450**  
**Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Transmitted herewith is an amendment/response for this application.

The fee for claims and extension of time (37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17) has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDIT. FEE
TOTAL	18	70	0	\$ 0.00
INDEP.	4	4	0	\$ 0.00
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				\$ 0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE				\$ 0.00
GRAND TOTAL				\$ 0.00

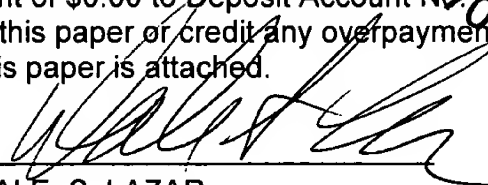


**FEE PAYMENT**

Authorization is hereby made to charge the amount of \$0.00 to Deposit Account No. 033975. Charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment in the manner authorized above. A duplicate of this paper is attached.

Date: 10/24/03

PILLSBURY WINTHROP LLP  
P.O. Box 10500  
McLean, VA 22102  
(703) 905-2126

  
DALE S. LAZAR  
Reg. No. 28872

RECEIVED  
OCT 28 2003  
TC 1700



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION OF

KITAGAWA et al.

Appln. No.: 09/662,937

Filed: September 15, 2000

Title: BRIGHT SURFACE STRUCTURE AND A MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

Confirmation No.: 1661

Group Art Unit: 1753

Examiner: VERSTEEG, STEVEN

RECEIVED  
OCT 28 2003  
TG 1700

October 23, 2003

\* \* \* \* \*

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 25, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A surface structure formed on an aluminum wheel for an automobile, said structure comprising:
  - (a) a resin film coated on said aluminum wheel; and
  - (b) a thin metal film formed on said resin film, wherein said thin metal film is made from a titanium-aluminum alloy containing 20-50% by weight of titanium and 80-50% by weight of aluminum, said thin metal film having a homogenous composition throughout a whole thickness of said thin metal film and having a color similar to [[pure]] chrome.
2. (Withdrawn) A structure according to claim 1, further comprising:
  - (c) a clear protective film coated on said thin metal film.
3. (Currently Amended) A surface structure formed on an aluminum wheel for an automobile, said structure comprising:
  - (a) a resin film coated on said aluminum wheel;